Approved For Release 2003/04/18: CIA-RDP80B01676R001100070025-8 ER 8-4939/A 23 JUL 1957 MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Jemes S. Lay, Jr. Executive Secretary National Security Council SUBJECT : Nomination of Major 25X1 for Award of the National Security Medal I. The Central Intelligence Agency Honor Awards Board with due consideration of the materials provided as enclosures to your memorandum of 23 July 1956, has concluded that the award of the National Security Medal cannot be made to Major USAF. 2. In reviewing this case, the Board found that Majer services, while of unquestioned value, cannot be regarded as exceptional or important to the degree that is called for in granting this award. The Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, USAF, provided additional material of a highly secret nature for the consideration of the Board. This, too, failed to establish that STAT met the standards for award of the National Security Medal. There is enclosed a draft of a letter which you may wish to use in replying to the Department of Defense. Mar. C. P. CABELL Lieutenant General, USAF Deputy Director Enclosure Originated: Personnel Retyped: O/DCI: (22Ju157) Distribution: Orig & 1 - Addressee; 1 - DDCI; 1 - ER via Reading;
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Secretary of Defense

Manpower, Personnel and Reserve

SUBJECT:

Recommendation for Award of the

National Security Medal to Major

I have been notified by the Director of Central Intelligence that the CIA Honor Awards Board is unable to award the National security Medal to as recommended in your memorandum of 23 July 1956. I am advised that this Board has examined all supporting material submitted, as well as highly secret information subsequently furnished by the Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, USAF, and finds that services, while of unquestioned value, do not meet the standards established for award of the National Security Medal.

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